

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

<b>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. 1:13CR345</b>
	)	
<b>Plaintiff,</b>	)	<b>SENIOR JUDGE</b>
	)	<b>CHRISTOPHER A. BOYKO</b>
	)	
<b>vs.</b>	)	
	)	
<b>KEITH RICKS,</b>	)	<b>OPINION AND ORDER</b>
	)	
<b>Defendant.</b>	)	

**CHRISTOPHER A. BOYKO, SR. J.:**

This Order addresses the outstanding motions unrelated to Defendant's substantive request for a sentence reduction.

Defendant's Request to Strike (Doc. 2077) the Government's Reply is **DENIED**. Defendant presented a new extraordinary and compelling reason for a sentence reduction in his Reply (Doc. 2074), which warranted a response by the Government. Moreover, Defendant himself acknowledged the new claim and that the Government should have time to respond. (*See* Doc. 2074, PageID: 16681). Finally, Defendant is not prejudiced by the Government's Response due to the multiple supplements he has since filed.

Defendant's Motion to Take Notice (Doc. 2085) is **GRANTED**. The Court considered Defendant's caselaw when deciding the issue of a sentence reduction.

Defendant's Motion for an Extension of Time to Reply (Doc. 2114) is **DENIED AS MOOT**. Defendant filed a second reply on February 8, 2021.

Defendant's Motion for an Extension of Time to Reply (Doc. 2131) is similarly **DENIED AS MOOT**. Defendant's filed a third reply on March 22, 2021.

The issue of a sentence reduction has been thoroughly briefed, allowing the Court to enter the Order contemporaneously filed with this one.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

s/ Christopher A. Boyko  
**CHRISTOPHER A. BOYKO**  
**Senior United States District Judge**

**Dated: April 26, 2021**